



REMARKS

Please note that the enclosed specification is a copy of the originally filed specification with paragraph numbers added thereto. It is noted that the addition of paragraph numbers does not require the submission of a substitute specification. As a precautionary measure, a copy of the originally filed specification, without paragraph numbers, also accompanies this Preliminary Amendment.

Accompanying this response, please find marked-up paragraphs of the specification which overcome some informalities noted in the specification. The undersigned avers that the enclosed replacement paragraph(s) of the specification do not contain any new matter.

Please consider new claims 36-82 upon consideration of this application.

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MARKED-UP VERSION OF PAGE 1 OF THE SPECIFICATION

[001] APPARATUS FOR MEASURING PARAMETERS RELATING TO THE TRAJECTORY AND/OR MOTION OF A MOVING ARTICLE

[002] This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/291,273 filed April 14, 1999 which is a continuation-in-part of PCT/GB97/02873 filed October 17, 1997.

[003] TECHNICAL FIELD

This invention relates to apparatus for measuring parameters relating to the trajectory and/or motion of a moving article and, in particular, apparatus for measuring and recording the pre-impact and post-impact position and/or motion of a golf clubhead and golf ball during the execution of a golf shot.

[005] BACKGROUND ART

Most contemporary commercial golf swing analysers use arrays of light beams and coacting electro-optical sensors. In a typical conventional golf swing analyser, a plurality of discrete light sensors are arranged in line at regular, known intervals, with two or more such arrays built into a playing mat and extending transversely to the intended direction of clubhead travel prior to ball impact. The light sensors are normally illuminated from a single source at ceiling height so that the effective light beams received by each sensor in an array are approximately parallel and vertical. The light sensors detect the shadow of a clubhead as it travels at speed towards a golf ball. By recording and processing the sequence of light interrupts in the light sensors, various parameters such as clubhead speed, swingpath angle, impact offset and clubface angle at impact can be computed.

